

## Arab Briefs

### Arabs down in to Uganda

March 19 (R)—Two Norwegian journalists just from Uganda said today officials told them thousands of rebels had been flown in to bolster President Idi Amin's last-ditch Tanzanian-backed invasion by Ugandan exiles, driven into Stein Jesius, from the Oslo newspaper Verdens Gang. And they had been told by officials at Kampala's hospital that there were 1,200 wounded Libyan soldiers. They had no information as to how or when the men were brought in. The journalists reported that Entebbe appeared to be under control of six self-propelled and six conventional armoured personnel carriers. They said they were told by Kifan Ali Shabani that Entebbe was still held by rebels after an earlier attack. They now Entebbe from Tripoli two weeks ago, they said there were up to 600 soldiers a day. According to their information, Mr. Shabani, who was captured by rebels in 1974, said he had never seen so many flights come into the airport last week.

If its judgement on the petitioners, Mr. Shabani is in prison. If the petitioners are successful, they will be released. Number 1010

Hussein tells Brzezinski

### Jordan maintains rejection

### Camp David framework

March 17 (R)—The U.S. government of Vietnam has now that the last emigration programme, which had been suspended after an agreement with the Vietnamese, will start to decrease. The number of people who wish to leave the country is expected to drop to 100,000 by the end of the year.

March 14—His Majesty King Hussein received a delegation from the National Security Council of the Vietnamese government on Sunday. The latest developments in the Middle East and stability, the talks were "useful and con-

tinued to receive Libyan newsmen on departure that his talk in Saudi Arabia and Jordan had "focused on a mutual concern for a comprehensive peace settlement, on long-term and regional interests, and on more immediate security threats."

Although he did not elaborate on the meaning of "immediate security threat," previous American statements have pointed to concerns over the possibility of growing Soviet influence in the area, especially since the turmoil in Iran.

As with the U.S. idea for a comprehensive Middle East peace, Jordan didn't agree with the U.S. idea of what constitutes an immediate regional threat.

"We do have different approaches to regional security," an informed Jordanian source said. "We regard the current threat to Jordan and the Arab lands that Israel occupies as being the immediate threat of Israeli expansionism."

Shortly after the delegation's arrival at the palace, Mr. Brzezinski, King Hussein and His Highness Crown Prince Hassan strolled along the outdoor patio overlooking the Jordan Valley north of the Dead Sea. From the patio, on a clear day, one can see the holy city of Jerusalem 60 kilometres away.

The American delegation then joined the Jordanian party in a working lunch which was also attended by the King's two teenage sons, Prince Abdullah and Prince Faisal.

At the start of the official discussions, Mr. Brzezinski pre-

sented a letter to King Hussein from President Carter "with his warmest personal greetings. The president remembers the toast you gave him in Washington. It touched him very much," Mr. Brzezinski said.

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After the discussions, Sharif Abdul Hamid Sharaf told the press at the airport that the talks had been characterised by frankness. "His Majesty explained Jordan's point of view, frankly," he said. "His Majesty reflected Jordan's point of view, emphasising Arab rights, Israeli withdrawal from all the occupied lands, the return of Arab Jerusalem, the return of the Arab people to their land, self-determination (for the Palestinians) and a comprehensive settlement," he said.

According to informed observers here, in the event a bilateral Egyptian-Israeli treaty is signed, Jordan will agree to sanctions against Egypt in accordance with the resolutions passed at the Baghdad Arab summit meeting last November.

The observers are confident that if Jordan is called to an Arab summit, it will go. It will subscribe to the resolutions of an Arab summit. If Egypt signs a peace treaty, it will cause repercussions. Jordan hopes, there will be Arab solidarity and a realistic Arab reaction, they said.

On his departure from Amman airport, Mr. Brzezinski said: "Over the last two days we have had talks with Saudi Arabia and Jordan. These two countries are friends of the United States, and we believe this friendship is mutually beneficial. Our talks focused on a mutual concern for a comprehensive peace settlement on long-term and regional interests, and on more immediate security threats. We believe these talks were useful and constructive."

Taking part in the discussions were Crown Prince Hassan, Prime Minister Mudar Badran, Gen. Majali, Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Sharaf Ibrahim, Sharif Abdul Hamid and Minister of State for Prime Ministry Affairs, Dr. Abdul Salam Al Majali, who is also minister of education.

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March 19 (R)—Syria's Deputy Prime Minister and sister Abdel-Halim Khaddam leaves for London on an official four-day visit to Britain, official sources said. During his stay he is expected to hold talks with Secretary David Owen and other senior officials on the East developments and bilateral relations, the report said. He is also expected to go to Paris for similar talks.

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## Listen and learn

WE SINCERELY hope that Dr. Zbigniew Brzezinski's talks here in Jordan on Sunday, and in Saudi Arabia the day before, were as "useful and constructive," as he described them afterwards.

But the initial evidence is not very encouraging, as President Carter's national security adviser returns to Washington, after a stop in Cairo, to begin preparations for the signing soon of an Egyptian-Israeli peace treaty.

Whatever the motives behind the Brzezinski delegation's flying tour, it at least afforded the U.S. another opportunity to hear, from Arab leaders whose views are highly regarded in Washington, the precise reasons why these leaders cannot subscribe to the terms of the proposed peace treaty, nor endorse the means by which it has been arrived at.

More to the point, as His Majesty King Hussein pointed out to Dr. Brzezinski on Sunday, the countries of this region do not share to the American view that some external forces constitute the greatest threat stability in this region, but feel, rather, that it is Israeli expansionism that constitutes the gravest, most immediate threat. The terms of the proposed Egyptian-Israeli treaty, with their vague and inadequate formulation for a Palestinian "self-rule," which in fact amounts to a legalisation of continued Israeli occupation of the Arab homeland, give Israel carte blanche to pursue the expansionist and colonialist tendencies that are an inalienable part of Zionist policy.

Another threat to Middle East stability stems from the cancer of disunity and recrimination which the treaty will, almost as if by design, engender. This is a threat which the Arab countries, within the coming weeks, will have to work out a common strategy to defuse.

No less "moderate" an Arab leader than the UAE's President Sheikh Zayed has now come forward with a useful summation of Arab concerns: that the projected treaty will bring not peace but war, and division, and further aggression.

It is somehow inconceivable that Dr. Brzezinski, after hearing such reasoned admonitions from such sage quarters, can now declare himself to be "encouraged" and "even more convinced than ever before that the forthcoming peace treaty between Egypt and Israel is both the beginning and the cornerstone of a comprehensive peace treaty in the region."

It is one thing to conclude that if Dr. Brzezinski came into this region somehow to wear down our firm resolution to stand firm against the greatest threat to our peace and security in 30 years, then he failed. It is quite another thing to have to conclude, sadly, that if he came to listen, he apparently failed at that as well.

## ARAB PRESS COMMENTARY

JORDANIAN PAPERS SUNDAY carries comments on the visit recently paid by President Carter's advisor for national security affairs, Mr. Brzezinski, to both Saudi Arabia and Jordan:

AL RA'Y says that Jordan's stand has always been a national and principled one, not built on reaction to crises or taken on the spur of the moment; therefore it can not be influenced by policies of intimidation or otherwise. Jordan, the paper adds, has always followed a policy of moderation in the area, but moderation does not necessarily lead to capitulation or submission to the will of aggressors. Jordan does not have the right to barter the rights of the Palestinians. "We are for a just and comprehensive peace that will guarantee the Palestinians the restoration of their rights and territories. It is true that Jordan does not have the power to impose an equitable peace, but it does have the free will to say 'NO' to semi-solution," the paper concludes.

AL DUSTOUR says that U.S. Defence Secretary Harold Brown previously visited Saudi Arabia and Jordan with the object of talking them into accepting the terms of the U.S.-Egyptian-Israeli coalition; and since his mission failed to achieve its purpose, the United States has decided to send Mr. Brzezinski to the area in order to neutralise the Jordanian-Saudi position with respect to the Camp David accord. In other words, the paper continues, Washington wants both Amman and Riyadh to adopt a neutral position vis-a-vis the Arab cause. Jordan is committed to work for comprehensive peace based on full Israeli withdrawal from the occupied Arab territories, and the recognition of the Palestinians' right to self-determination.

Washington would do well to understand that it is impossible to try to make other Arab parties join the Cairo-Tel Aviv-Washington axis, or at least to adopt a neutral position concerning the Arab cause. The international community could give real help to the region by joining efforts to achieve real peace in the Middle East, the paper concludes.

## WHAT'S GOING ON

### Photo Exhibit

The French Cultural Centre is displaying photo exhibit on "80 Years of French Cinema" during regular hours.

### French Film Festival

The French Cultural Centre presents a film festival at the Rainbow Cinema at 8:30 p.m. Tonight's film is Michel Vianey's "Un type comme moi ne devrait jamais mourir." Tickets are available at the Centre.

## Locally led syndicate of banks to refinance \$12m. Syrian-Jordanian Transport Co. loan.

By Rami G. Khouri  
Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN, March 19--The gradual development of more sophisticated banking capabilities in Jordan has received another boost this month with the move by a locally led syndicate of banks to refinance a long-term loan for the Syrian-Jordanian Land Transport Company.

The Arab-Jordan Investment Bank is agent for the refinancing of the \$12 million, six-year credit that was signed two years ago with the Paris-based FRA-Bank International, a consortium bank representing European, Japanese and Arabian Gulf interests.

The Arab-Jordan Investment Bank has now finalised the refinancing agreement to lend the Syrian-Jordanian Land Transport Company JD 3.5 million for seven years at a lower interest rate than was originally charged for the \$12 million loan. The new loan in Jordanian dinars has a two year grace period and is guaranteed by the governments of Jordan and Syria.

Equally significant with the fact

that the agent for the refinancing project is a young Jordanian bank with strong links with Arab interests in the Gulf is that the JD 3.5 million is being fully provided by a syndicate of four local banks, which, with the Arab-Jordan Investment Bank, includes the Arab Bank, the Housing Bank and Petra Bank.

The refinancing of this loan is seen by local financial circles as affirming the ability of the Jordanian banking sector to provide medium-term capital in Jordanian dinars for local industries and service companies, such as travel or tourism schemes. It is also evidence of the recent realisation by local banking authorities that small-scale loans of between JD 1 million and JD 5 million can be syndicated among Jordanian banks, and in most cases make a Jordanian syndication more attractive than an international loan.

It is anticipated that another locally syndicated loan of around the same size as this one will be signed very soon. This is a loan being handled by Citibank for the new Sheraton hotel project.

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

### Shmeisani traffic

Sir.

As a resident of Jordan for 16 years and of Shmeisani for 14, I have seen many changes in the traffic patterns. The many improvements that have occurred I appreciate and the sensible changes resulting I have approved and applauded. Though I am a licensed driver, I don't pretend to be an authority on traffic patterns in this city, but as a resident of Shmeisani, I do feel that I am more knowledgeable than most on the streets immediately surrounding our home.

The development occurring with the Tower Hotel, which was closely followed by restaurants, supermarkets, taxi stands, hair salons, pharmacies, etc., combined with the heavy traffic resulting from a detour because of highway construction, has caused a remarkable increase in traffic in our area. We felt however, most fortunate to have a wide, well-paved road to maneuver on.

Alas, this is no longer true. Our once wide road has now been cut down the middle by a medial strip. This has resulted in single-lane passage of cars and parking problems for all the shops. The medial strip has also closed the access to cross roads, resulting in people either meeting oncoming traffic going the wrong way, or forcing them down to the most congested part of the street in order to turn around. Even this is difficult because of the small space available. One has to turn back up, avoid the parked cars at the Tower Hotel, until you are finally able to get around the divider to reverse direction.

I do understand the necessity of having regulations and, in certain situations limited access. We have all witnessed Wadi Seer road and the improvement resulting from limiting the crossroads. However, it runs through a residential area and not through an extremely busy shopping section. By limiting the crossroads in our area above the business end, all the traffic has been diverted to the most congested section.

I wonder who studied the pattern in this area and if they took this into consideration. Over the past months, I have tried to adjust my driving to avoid this congested area. Now, however, I not only can not avoid the area, but unless I disobey traffic regulations, I must drive down to this section of Shmeisani, regardless of where I might be planning to go.

I suggest that once again this street be studied, and instead of encouraging people to break the law, at least one of the cross roads be reopened above the business district. This would enable one to avoid the traffic congestion occurring down the street and hopefully would relieve some of the traffic in the process.

Karen Asfour

Amman  
March 16, 1979

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## 4 important appointments approved by cabinet

AMMAN, March 19 (JNA)--Dr. Jawad Al 'Azam is to become Director general of the Social Security Corporation. His present post as under-secretary of the Ministry of Labour is to be taken over by Dr. Tayseer Abdel Jaber, currently secretary general of the National Planning Council. Dr. Abdel Jaber is to be replaced by Mr. Basel Jardaneh, whose position as director of the Pension Fund will be taken over by Mr. Wasef Azar. These new appointments were approved yesterday by the cabinet.

Her Highness Princess Sarvath (third from right on front row) listens to a speech by Mrs. Khawla Abu Odeh at the inauguration of work on the new

centre for mentally retarded children at Al Binayat on Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Mo'mina Badran standing to her right.

## Construction of new school for retarded inaugurated

By a Jordan Times staff reporter

AMMAN, March 19--Her Highness Princess Sarvath officially inaugurated construction work on a new centre for mentally handicapped children 20 kilometres outside Amman on Sunday afternoon.

At the brief ceremony during which she unveiled an inscribed cornerstone crowds shivered in bitterly cold winds. The ceremony was attended by Mrs. Mo'mina Badran, Mrs. Laila Sharaf, number of ambassadors and their wives and a lot of Korean

workmen from the company to do the building work, conspicuous in bright yellow and white safety helmets and blue overalls.

The specially designed school-and pre-vocational centre will have places for 150 children between the ages of four and 18 years. Mrs. Ferial Hamed the secretary of the Young Women's Muslim Association (YWMA) told the Jordan Times at the unveiling ceremony.

The new centre will be on five dunums of land donated to the YWMA at Al Binayat, 20 kilometres from Amman on the road to Na'ur. At present the only

indication of the site is a main Amman-Na'ur road which does not tell you site is actually so kilometres off the main, a rough secondary road.

Not a few guests lost and turned up only mind the unveiling. However, Hamed said because will be bussed to and school and will stay lunch.

At present the YWMA to mentally disabled children--which was 1974--is housed in a room near Al Hussein and can only cope with them. They are using skills to enable them everyday life in addition academic studies. attending the centre is the means of it.

When the new centre for the existing will be turned into a home for mentally disabled children. Money for the

which Princess President activities over the

The centre will be open to the public and more possible with the 40 and 60, and field, training from leaders social workers students in other areas.

Arab children education retarded children school, where provided. There counselling and assessment needed whether the school.

The centre four main sections pre-school follow-up, a workshop retarded young adults.

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## NCC condemns separate Egyptian-Israeli treaty

Amin Bader  
to the Jordan Times

March 19.—The NCC condemned the separate agreement which is to be between Egypt and Jordan concerning positions.

The NCC further invited other Arab countries to lend more support to the confrontation states, the PLO and the Arabs living in the occupied territories. Such support would enable the confrontation states to frustrate "the ominous impact of the agreement, the dangers of which threaten not only the confrontation states, but all the Arab World as well," the declaration added.

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position with respect to the agreement. It also asked for a statement by the government explaining the circumstances which brought about the explosion at the village of Um Al Basatin near Amman. The NCC asked the government to issue another statement concerning the circumstances which led to the Alia plane crash in Qatar.

The NCC also listened to replies by the government to nine queries previously submitted by council members. These deal with the opening of new schools, clinics and mother and child health centres in remote regions. The other questions concern the opening of a grievance bureau, and controls over bars, night clubs and movie theaters. Finally the council ratified the amended draft law for conditions of people in the occupied Arab territories in order to assess what U.N. aid to them should be.

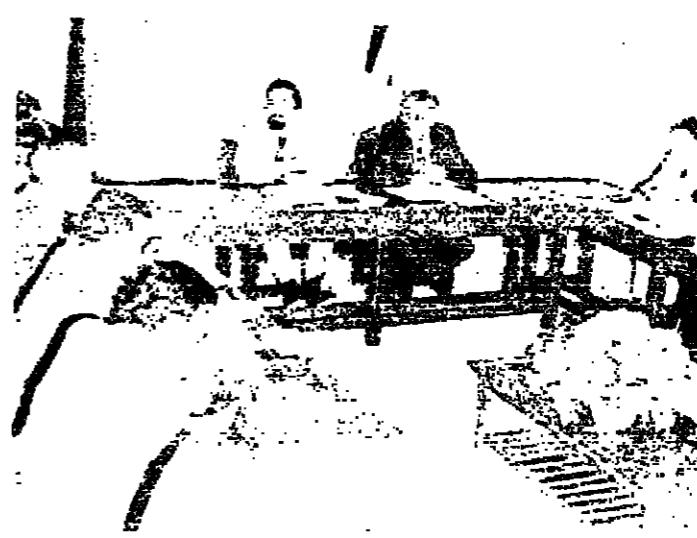
## Cooperatives director, U.N. delegation discuss Palestinian problem

AMMAN, March 19 (JNA)—Director General of the Jordan Cooperatives Organisation Hassan Nabulsi discussed with a delegation representing a number of specialized U.N. agencies the granting of U.N. aid to cooperatives in the occupied Arab territories. Mr. Nabulsi briefed the delegation on the conditions of cooperative societies and difficulties they are facing because of the Israeli occupation. The delegation, which is on a tour of several Arab states, is meeting with several Jordanian officials during its stay in Jordan. The United Nations earlier this year had requested UNESCO, FAO and the Economic Commission for Western Asia (ECWA) to study conditions of people in the occupied Arab territories in order to assess what U.N. aid to them should be.

## 5 Arab states to hold population symposium

AMMAN, March 19 (JNA)—A symposium on population in the West Asia region will be held here towards the end of this month. Taking part in the two-day symposium will be delegates from Jordan, Syria, Lebanon, Kuwait and the Yemen Arab Republic. They will study working papers on fertility and death rates in these countries.

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## Prince Hassan chairs conference steering committee meet

AMMAN, March 19 (JNA)—The preparatory committee of the Greater Syria conference held a meeting at the University of Jordan today under the chairmanship of His Highness Crown Prince Hassan. The Crown Prince discussed with the committee subjects on the agenda of the conference which will be held in April next year. He instructed the committee members to give priority to the Palestine problem and the subject of Jerusalem and Arab Palestinian rights over the ages during the conference. The University President, Dr. Nasereddin Al Assad, spoke during the meeting about the different subjects to be discussed in the conference.

## Alia's JD 50 m. 1979 budget approved by cabinet

AMMAN, March 19 (JNA)—The cabinet in its session yesterday approved the JD 50 million 1979 budget of Alia, the Royal Jordanian Airline.

## Cabinet approves Social Security Corp. loan

AMMAN, March 19 (JNA)—The cabinet today decided to grant the Social Security Corporation JD 50,000 in addition to a JD 100,000 loan to be repaid over three years. The money will finance the initial formation and administrative stages of the newly formed corporation.

## Civil Defence director meets with bottled gas distributors

AMMAN, March 19 (JNA)—Director of Civil Defence Maj. Gen. Khalid Al Tarawneh held a meeting today with the union members of bottled gas distributors association in Jordan. During the meeting they discussed the dangers posed by the storing of bottled gas within the cities, and the possibility of moving stores to other places. Mr. Tarawneh stressed that once the stores have been moved, they should be provided with wireless systems and fire engines. This will be done in coordination with the Ministries of Interior and Trade, the Jordan Refinery and the Directorate of Civil Defence. Saying that several bottled gas stores do not apply safety measures in storing gas, Mr. Tarawneh proposed that the Jordan refinery build special stores which would be let out and to gas distributors.

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	U.K. sterling	607.00/611.00
	West German mark	160.30/161.30
	Swiss franc	177.60/178.70
	French franc	69.70/70.10
	Italian lire	(for every 100)
		35.50/35.70
	Japanese yen	(for every 100)
		144.10/145.00
	Dutch guilder	148.50/149.40
	Belgian franc	(for every ten)
		101.50/102.10
	Swedish crown	68.50/69.90

## King to decorate 50 veteran teachers

AMMAN, March 19 (JNA)—A teacher's day celebration will be held at the Palace of Culture tomorrow under the patronage of His Majesty King Hussein. The King is scheduled to deliver a speech on the occasion and will decorate some 50 veteran teachers with medals in recognition of their role in the field of education.

## Explosion victims to get aid

AMMAN, March 19 (JNA)—The Social Affairs Department today gave financial and material aid to the families of victims that died in the Um Al Basatin depot explosion last week. The department also decided to give permanent, regular aid to some of these families.

According to the department's director general, the department in cooperation with CARE (Cooperative for American Relief Everywhere) will immediately distribute blankets and clothing to the stricken families. The Jordanian Armed Forces are already supplying tents to these families.

## Prince Hassan celebrates 33rd birthday



AMMAN, March 19—His Highness Crown Prince Hassan will celebrate his thirty third birthday Tuesday.

## Islamic conference praises Iran revolution

AMMAN, March 19 (JNA)—The General Islamic Conference for Holy Places has issued a statement lauding the Iranian Islamic revolution as a pillar of the Islamic civilisation and a powerful arm for peace and justice in the world. The statement appealed to both the Iranian people and the Islamic peoples at large to support the Iranian revolution.

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ment Factories	JD 10,000	1,928	—	—	14,800
sphate Mines	JD 1,000	1,710	2,140	2,160	2,150
If Bank	JD 1,000	1,248	1,040	1,050	1,040
Development and Co.	JD 1,000	1,863	2,250	2,300	2,300
ining Co.	JD 1,000	1,024	0,920	0,950	5,100
am Industries	JD 1,000	655	0,910	0,920	0,910
tinum Co.	JD 1,000	188	0,930	0,940	0,940
Commercial And Co.	JD 1,000	1,658	—	2,670	2,620
Cardboard Factories	JD 1,000	123	760	—	0,750
ming Co.	JD 5,000	2,783	—	11,500	11,000
rsted Mills Co.	JD 1,000	609	—	—	1,670
ning and Weaving Co.	JD 1,000	71	—	0,730	0,710

as traded, Monday, March 19: JD 22,457

Number of shares traded: 7,707

Par Value	Volume Traded	Number Traded	Year of Maturity	Selling Price
JD 5,000	90	18	1979	5,020
5,000	255	50	1980	5,100
10,000	112	11	1988	10,200

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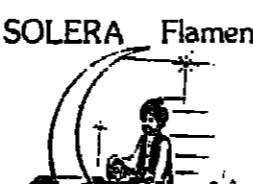
Temperatures	Overnight minimum	Daytime maximum
Amman	6	21
Aqaba	13	27
Jordan Valley	14	26
Deserts	7	24

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# JORDAN TIMES SPORTS ROUNDUP

**South Korean takes flyweight boxing title**

PUSAN, South Korea, March 19 (R) -- South Korean Park Chan-hee won the World Boxing Council (WBC) flyweight title by pounding out a unanimous points verdict over champion Miguel Canto of Mexico, here last night. Canto, 31, making his 15th defence since capturing the title from Japan's Shoji Okuma in 1975, could not match the speed and power of the 23-year-old Korean, who dominated the bout almost throughout, repeatedly scoring with fast, two-fisted attacks to the face. Mexican judge Escalante Jose made Park ahead 147-146 while American referee Rudy Ortega and the Korean judge saw the bout 148-145 and 150-141 respectively in favour of the challenger.

**San Diego Clippers continue winning streak**

NEW YORK. (AP) -- The San Diego Clippers haven't even clinched a National Basketball Association playoff berth yet but they're thinking bigger and better things. "This team can go all the way," said Lloyd Free, who scored 15 of his game-high 31 points in the fourth period Sunday as the Clippers beat the New Jersey Nets 110-98. "I still don't think we're being taken seriously by everyone, but we're serious." The triumph was the fifth in a row for the Clippers, who have won 13 of their last 14 games and 11 straight at home. The Nets have dropped five in a row and nine of 11. The Clippers, who are locked in a battle with the Denver Nuggets and Portland Trail Blazers for the final two playoff berths in the Western Conference, led all the way, moving out to a 34-17 lead after one quarter when the Nets made only eight of 29 shots. Elsewhere, the Milwaukee Bucks whipped the San Antonio Spurs 147-127, the Washington Bullets outshot the Cleveland Cavaliers 126-112, the Kansas City Kings downed the Chicago Bulls 114-103, the New Orleans Jazz shaded the Phoenix Suns 121-117, the Los Angeles Lakers trimmed the Boston Celtics 122-111 and the Philadelphia 76ers trounced the New York Knicks 106-90.

**English League soccer award announced**

LONDON. March 19 (R) -- Arsenal and Irish International midfield player Liam Brady has been voted "player of the year" by his colleagues in English League soccer. Brady received the award last night at the Professional Footballers' Association annual dinner. Five players were named as joint runners-up including Osvaldo Ardiles, the Argentine World Cup star who now plays for Tottenham Hotspur. Cyrille Regis, the French Guiana-born West Bromwich Albion striker was voted "young player of the year."

**Swede sets new World Cup slalom record**

FURANO, Japan (AP) -- Ingemar Stenmark, the steely master technician of skiing, completed a perfect giant slalom season and set a World Cup victory record Monday as Anne Marie Moser-Proell of Austria won her sixth World Cup with a tremendous finish under pressure. Marie-Theres Nadig of Switzerland almost stole the show by winning the women's giant slalom race by 5.20 seconds, a margin believed to be a World Cup record. But Moser-Proell's second was enough for the overall points victory. Heini Hemmi of Switzerland, the 1976 Olympic giant slalom gold medalist who is retiring this season, finished by taking second place, more than 1.5 seconds behind Stenmark, in the men's giant slalom. Stenmark, who also won his third slalom race of the season Saturday, ended up with 13 victories for the season including all 10 giant slaloms, breaking the record of 12 set by Jean-Claude Killy of France. Stenmark was fastest by almost four-tenths of a second in the first run and 1.2 seconds in the second, finishing in 2 minutes 58.59 seconds to 3:00.15 for Hemmi and 3:00.41 for Jean Luc Fournier of Switzerland. He said later, however, he has no feeling of being the king of alpine skiing. The three-time World Cup champion ended up fifth overall this year because he does not enter downhill races and new rules this season limit the number of points any skier can pick up in any one specialty. This year's cup already had been clinched by Peter Luescher of Switzerland, who was seventh in 3:02.13 in Monday's final race.

Final standings in men's World Cup ski series:

1. Peter Luescher, Switzerland. 186 2.	Leonard Stock, Austria. 163 3.	Phil Mahre, U.S. 155 4.	Piero Gros, Italy. 152 5.
Ingemar Stenmark, Sweden. 150 6.	Andreas Wenzel, Liechtenstein. 148 7.	Anton Steiner, Austria. 107 8.	Bojan Krizaj, Yugoslavia. 106 9.
Gustavo Thoeni, Italy. 91 10.	Steve Mahre, U.S. 86.		

**Overweight Muhammad Ali to retire as boxing champion**

SYDNEY. March 19 (R) -- Muhammad Ali told drenched fans at the Sydney Sports ground yesterday that he would retire as world heavyweight boxing champion in one month. Speaking after two lifeless exhibition bouts, Ali apologised to the crowd for not giving his best saying that he was 20 pounds (nine kilos) overweight and ready for retirement. "There is nothing greater I can do in boxing and I am going to get out as the only man to win the title three times," Ali said. Ali made heavy weather of three exhibition rounds with American Jimmy Ellis, and then clowned his way through three more with Joe Bugner, the former British and European heavyweight champion.

# Stamp enlargements honour engraver

Too often when recess or surface printed stamp designs are studied, the designer receives all the praise. Seldom is the skill of the engraver acknowledged. An exception is the late J.A.C. Harrison. The British Library has begun publication of a series of six portfolios devoted to the work of this master of minuscule engraving.

By Kenneth F. Chapman

It is, in part, the minuscule nature of stamp designs which appeals to many collectors. Periodically, enlargements of those designs, revealing details difficult to appreciate on the stamps themselves, also fascinate philatelists.

The British Library, which houses many stamp collections belonging to the nation, has recently embarked on the production of a series of portfolios containing enlarged prints of selected stamps. The first six, each comprising six prints, is being devoted to the work of J.A.C. Harrison, an acknowledged master of this form of miniature portraiture.

Harrison prepared a pen and ink drawing of the head against a background of close horizontal lines. This drawings provides the first print in the portfolio.

Reduced to stamp size, it was faithfully reproduced on the steel die, and an enlargement of a proof pull from the die is the subject of the second print. There follow enlargements of the design through three further stages of the die as the frame surrounding the head developed. The final print shows the completed stamp as issued.

The five other portfolios will also deal with Harrison's stamp engravings and demonstrate his versatility with the burin.

Stamp portraits call for a faithful likeness; scenic subjects require a delicate treatment which loses nothing of the artwork provided by the designer and yet remains clear cut to allow crisp printing. Harrison was the leading engraver of both types of these miniature masterpieces.

After his apprenticeship Harrison joined Waterlow Brothers and Layton in 1887 as an ornamental engraver. He remained with the firm until 1899 when he turned to freelance work. Fifty years later he was still engraving stamp dies. One portfolio will be devoted to the North Borneo pictorial stamps of that period - 1929. They are as delicate as his earlier work and reveal the touch of a hand that has lost none of its cunning.

Almost 20 years earlier there had been the 1901 pictorials of Jamaica which are still regarded as the finest engravings of their day. They will provide prints for another portfolio.



JAC Harrison's engraving for the King George V one penny stamp of 1912.

Prints based on Harrison's engravings for Maltese issues featuring famous statues to which he gave backgrounds of his own devising will comprise the fourth in the portfolio series.

The remaining two portfolios will revert to portraiture. One will concentrate on royalty (including the unused King Edward VIII design: the king abdicated before the stamp could be issued) and the other on portraits from Christopher Columbus to Juan Jose Latore Benavente, whose naval and political exploits up to his death in 1912 made him a national figure.

All these will provide firm evidence of Harrison's ability to give character to each face, however small it might appear on the finished stamp.

The importance of the whole portfolio venture is highlighted by the virtual disappearance in recent years of plate printed or letterpress printed stamps. Rotary photogravure and offset lithography do not require engraved dies, either recess or in relief, and

the printing is faster and cheaper.

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of the public - among whom

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is gradually replacing

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Engravings continue to be

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VER-The law requires that every private car in West Germany is checked every two years. Car owners whose vehicles pass the test are given a small sticker to put on their car windows, so there is an accompanying procedure to test the roadworthiness of bicycles, despite the fact that bike-riding practices by the German Automobile Club have shown that one in ten something is wrong with it. The suggestion has therefore been that bikes should be checked for roadworthiness. Such a decree has been introduced in some areas. Every bike rider is legally obliged to have his bike checked at the local police station if he wants a badge of quality if his two-wheeler is passed fit. Children have responded enthusiastically to the scheme. (DAB)

TELECAST FOR TUESDAY, MARCH 20, 1979

## OUR DAILY HOROSCOPE

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ERAL TENDENCIES: Listen to what others say and try to get along as well as possible with anyone which they have expressed, otherwise unnecessary friction could take place. Night is the best time for the King.

Harrison's allies' issues to which he could turn into battles with others or they could turn into battles with your good name.

RUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) Keep promises you have made to others conscientiously. Listen to the ideas of others although they may differ from your own.

MON (May 21 to June 21) Avoid being impulsive. Enthusiastic people are concerned or there would be a suitable network of connections. Handle a community affair well.

CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21) Schedule shows early and carry through in a positive fashion other than accomplishment little. Don't neglect treating a minor ailment.

JULY (July 22 to Aug. 21) Don't change your plans now. A move out. Try not to argue with loved ones but show affection. Watch your diet for better health.

AO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 21) You have to be more careful at home if potential arguments are to be avoided. Don't permit a close tie to boss you so much.

A (Sept. 22 to Oct. 21) Search for the data you need in order to make your work or business dealings successful, efficient. Evening is best time to visit friends, relatives.

PIO (Oct. 22 to Nov. 21) Don't spend more than you can afford. Build up a reserve instead. Think you can get big, but first study projects carefully and invest even one penny.

TARUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) You want to just to get rid of an annoying person, but hide and handle the matter more reasonably. Hold meetings in the late afternoon for best results.

ICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Plan how to expend energies in more worthwhile directions vary. Go to 1 for advice, then follow it without delay.

RUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) You feel like criticizing because you don't approve of his/her actions; best to keep silent. Wait until evening for get-togethers with good friends.

S (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) Don't buck one in a power-on or you could get in big trouble, but be helpful. Be more willing to compromise in a financial deal. Know that half a loaf is better than none.

SO (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) What action do you take?

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LES H. GOREN MAR SHARF Chicago Tribune

What action do you take?

Q.5-Both vulnerable, as South you hold:

♦AK104 ♦93 ♦AJ9742

The bidding has proceeded:

South West North East

1 C Pass 2 C Pass

2 C Pass 3 C Pass

What action do you take?

Q.6-Neither vulnerable, as South you hold:

♦AK52 ♦K10 ♦JS3 ♦AQ7

Partner opens the bidding with five diamonds. What action do you take?

Q.7-East-West vulnerable, as South you hold:

♦KJ1055 ♦A962 ♦K953

Your right-hand opponent opens the bidding with one club. What action do you take?

Q.8-As South, vulnerable, you hold:

♦KJ952 ♦AJ1076 ♦A ♦A8

The bidding has proceeded:

South West North East

1 C Pass 1 NT Pass

What do you bid now?

MON (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) What action do you take?

What do you take?

# U.N. sea-law meet appears headed for more confrontation

GENEVA, March 19 (R) — The United Nations law of the sea conference reopens today apparently headed for squalls from the start.

The six-week session was called to wind up several years of informal negotiations on a 340-article treaty so that the talks involving about 160 nations could enter their final phase on formalising a convention text.

But industrial states and developing countries set course

for a stormy confrontation over sea mining even before the session opened. Third World nations warned the issue could scuttle the conference.

The United States has announced plans for unilateral legislation designed to give some security for companies planning to

**ZAPU warns:**

## Planes flying over Zimbabwe airspace will be shot down

LUSAKA, Zambia, March 19 (AP) — A black nationalist guerrilla organisation fighting in Rhodesia warned today that it will shoot down military and civilian planes flying over the embattled Salisbury junta.

The Zimbabwe African People's Union (ZAPU) has already claimed responsibility for shooting down two Rhodesian civilian airliners last September and last month, with Soviet-made Sam-7 missiles.

The warning about shooting down other aircraft was published today in the organisation's official newspaper, the Zimbabwe People's Voice.

The Voice said: "Anybody who commissions and sends civilian aircraft into battlefields must know the consequences. These planes will be downed for aggression. Rhodesian Premier Ian Smith is an aggressor on the Zimbabwean soil and consequently airplanes of aggression should be shot on sight."

The publication also said: "The patriots will soon seal the whole Zimbabwean airspace, all that

goes up will be brought down and ZAPU should not be blamed for Smith's misfortune."

On the war front, the paper said, "The raging torrent of the forces of liberation will soon surround and completely destroy the Salisbury junta."

It added that the war of liberation was now in its final stages and that ZAPU forces throughout the country were in full control of the situation.

"The people's forces are so entrenched that no force can dislodge them from their positions. The whole of Rhodesia has been turned into an operational theatre."

"It is now war to the finish. Smith's ground forces are scared to move anywhere inside Zimbabwe. In daily encounters, Smith's forces continue to be whipped by guerrillas," the Voice said.

The Voice added: "It is the patriotic forces that control the airspace as well. We seriously warn that wherever Smith's planes are sighted in Zimbabwean territory, they will be shot down."

## U.S. space shuttle will go 'piggyback' to Cape Canaveral

EDWARDS AIR FORCE BASE, California, March 19 (AP) — The space shuttle Columbia, with swept-back wings and a five-storey tail fin, was ready today for its long-delayed flight to Florida.

The shuttle and its Boeing 747 ferry were to take off after a 30-minute test flight, depending on weather conditions, the U.S. National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) said.

Space agency officials at the Dryden Flight Research Centre say they apparently have solved problems that delayed by ten days the piggyback flight to Cape Canaveral.

The Columbia's engine computers and other final touches will be added at Cape Canaveral. The ship's first space flight is tentatively scheduled for Nov. 9.

When the Columbia returns to

California—perhaps before the year is out—it will land on a runway cut through a dry lake bed there.

The \$500 million shuttle is to conclude its first four flights at Dryden before switching to a Cape Canaveral landing strip.

The 75-ton shuttle arrived here March 8 after it was mounted on a huge trailer and towed across 60 kilometres of desert road from its assembly hangar.

The shuttle will be boosted into space like a rocket. After orbiting the earth for up to a month, it will come gliding home like an airplane. It's designed for at least 100 round trips into space.

With a crew of seven, the shuttle can carry about 30,000 kilograms of cargo. So far the various left-wing parties have won 239 local seats and the government supporters 445 seats.

Of those seats where no can-

nical map of France seemed unchanged today after a record turnout in local elections across the country yesterday.

All political parties drew comfort from the poll in which a post-war record of 70 per cent of eligible voters turned out to elect local councilors for a six-year mandate.

The Socialist Party, with an indicated 26 per cent of the vote, emerged as the largest single group and improved its position in northern France and along the south coast.

The communists, whose share of the poll was around 18.6 per cent made gains in the steel-manufacturing areas of northern and eastern France, where thousands of workers are faced with redundancy under government plans to streamline the industry.

It is assumed by general staffs that in any East-West European conflict, deadly nerve gases are likely to be employed.

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NATO lagged behind and that "Western society has not got CW into its computer."

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## As women's rights delegation arrives

### U.S. feminist deported from Iran

TEHRAN, March 19 (R) — American feminist Miss Kate Millett was deported from Iran today after being held at the airport overnight, according to the national airline Iran Air.

Miss Millett, 45, was put on a flight to New York with stopovers in London and Paris, the airline said. She was accompanied by an American friend, identified as Miss Sophie Keir, who was detained with her yesterday.

Miss Millett arrived in Iran earlier this month to take part in the struggle for women's rights. She was kept under guard at Tehran's international Mehrabad airport after being detained yesterday by officials carrying out an Iranian Government expulsion order.

Her deportation coincided with the arrival from Paris of an 18-strong delegation from the recently-created International Women's Rights Committee to investigate the situation of women in the light of Iran's Islamic revolution.

Miss Millett told reporters that officials who detained her in Tehran's Intercontinental Hotel yesterday behaved "barbarously" and confiscated all her tape recordings and notes. It was not immediately clear whether these had been

returned to her before she was put on this morning's Iran Air flight.

Miss Millett told reporters last night: "It's a police state. It's just scary. I am really fed up with all this harassment, all I want to do is get out of here." She said she had not been allowed to contact her lawyer and American Embassy officials said they had not been informed of her whereabouts by the Iranian Government.

The delegation from Paris had no problems entering Iran. West German feminist Miss Alice Schwarzer told reporters the group planned to stay until Thursday and hoped to meet Prime Minister Mehdi Bazargan and religious leaders, including Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini.

"We feel the women of Iran need solidarity, particularly at this very moment. Now there is still a possibility of change. But everything here could quickly become so oppressive and we cannot accept that," Mrs. Schwarzer told reporters.

Asked whether she was afraid of being in Iran, she replied: "Yes, of course, we are slightly apprehensive."

# World News Briefs

EAMES BEGINS TOUR OF 3 COMMUNIST NATIONS  
LISBON, March 19 (AP) — Portugal's President António Ramalho Eanes left for a seven-day tour of Bulgaria, Romania and Yugoslavia today, saying Portugal had a role to play in improving East-West relations. "Small and medium-size European states can play even in developing a world policy that reinforces detente and the balance on which world security depends," Mr. Eanes said in a statement before his departure. His trip, the first by an Portuguese head of state to a communist country, is part of a broadening of relations with other nations after a period of diplomatic isolation during the last days of a rightist dictatorship which fell in Portugal was accused of waging an unjust war against black rebels in its African colonies. The president is to hold talks with the three countries to seek ways of improving trade and other economic relations.

CARTER TURNS ATTENTION TOWARD U.S. AFFAIRS  
WASHINGTON, March 19 (R) — President Carter today shifted his attention to domestic affairs at Camp David where he has his top economic political advisers to discuss the continuing inflation. White House officials said the meeting at the presidential retreat will concentrate on issues such as energy consumption, administration's troubled anti-inflation drive. It follows weeks of close attention to Middle East affairs at a time when administration's economic plans were running into increasing trouble and criticism was mounting.

Pakistan needs \$3m. to repatriate refugees  
RAWALPINDI, March 19 (R) — Pakistan will ask Middle countries to help pay for the repatriation of some 15,000 from Bangladesh to Pakistan, an official spokesman said yesterday. He said Pakistan needed around \$3 million to resettle the Biharis stranded when Pakistan's eastern wing seceded to become Bangladesh. The International Red Cross suspect airlift of refugees for lack of funds. The spokesman said Pakistan so far re-absorbed 107,000 Biharis and another 18,000 were to be repatriated. All arrangements had been made for the repatriation would be sought through the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees, the spokesman said.

USSR, U.S. said 'very close' to SALT II  
WASHINGTON, March 19 (R) — Secretary of State Henry Kissinger said yesterday the United States and the Soviet Union were close to completing negotiations on a new Strategic Arms Limitation Treaty (SALT) treaty, and the results might be known in the next few days. The basic framework for a new SALT treaty was not yet complete, he said in a television interview. "But we're very close now at the end of the bitter end. We're very close to completing it." He placed a summit between President Carter and Soviet leader Leonid Brezhnev to sign the treaty has not yet been set. Vance said he believed it would take place in the United States. Asked how soon a treaty could be completed, he said it depended on what happened in the next several days. "We're negotiating on one or two issues at this point. If we can nail those down, then I think we could move promptly to a summit," he said.

U.S. makes biggest-ever drug haul  
NEWARK, New Jersey, March 19 (R) — At least 200 kilograms of hashish, valued at \$860 million in street sales, were seized off the New Jersey coast in the largest drug bust in history, a federal official said yesterday. Assistant U.S. Attorney Stephen Mills said customs and drug enforcement officials seized two days ago aboard the Liberian-registered freighter "Luvuno" eight seamen—five Americans and three Chinese. One of them is the ship's captain—following a search by officials.

Troops are being given syringes to inject an antidote. But the gas cannot be smelt, tasted or seen, so by the time a man plunges the needle into his thigh, it may be too late.

Secondly, while it would be easier to negotiate a ban on biological weapons, that it would be difficult to implement.

Current protective suits also must be discarded and burned after six hours of exposure to CW agent.

While the powers appeared to take each other on trust when they totally outlawed bacteriological warfare, they are less ready to do this in trying to extend the ban to poison gases.

The risks to his own side entailed in unleashing a "germ-warfare" attack would probably deter a belligerent from doing so.

Experts from 24 "neutral" countries round a civilian plan to negotiate a ban on biological weapons could be easily endangered by secret agents.

The Russians, international experts declared to be just as capable of launching a biological weapon as the United States.

Water shortages to be 'way of life' for Japan

TOKYO, March 19 (AP) — A disturbing lack of rain, crowded cities, and inadequate reservoir systems have created the grim prospect of severe water shortages in some parts of Japan.

More than 20 cities around the nation are already under some kind of water rationing system, and experts have warned that shortages may become a way of life even in the metropolitan areas of Tokyo and Osaka if water resources are not developed in the next decade.

Other worries have come from the Persian Gulf, with the complete cessation of a busy liner trade into Iranian ports other than the ships of the national flag. More than one specialist carrier into Iran has failed as a result of the current troubles. Others will be left with surplus fast and heavily geared tonnage that it will be hard to employ in other Gulf ports.

There is little doubt that the good days of the liner have gone forever. Carriers' margins are closely examined by increasingly powerful shippers' bodies, their profitable routes are overrun by Russian and Third World shipping, and they are ever more prone to bilateralism and governmental interference.

The liner sector will be facing even greater problems in the future. In the absence of any really significant growth in world trade, the traditional liner operators, particularly those involved in cross trading, know that the only way they can go is down.

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## So far tankers and bulk carriers have taken the brunt of the depression in world shipping, but now the liners are coming under threat through new Third World fleets, Soviet dumping and increasing government interference.

national flag operation. While it is argued by developed nation liner shipowners that such national fleets are wasteful and serve no economic need, the prestige, foreign exchange and employment opportunities inherent in the operation of own-flag liners are difficult to deny.

Moreover, there is a strong element of state direction and political pressure in the employment of such ships, and it is recognised that if there are too many ships for the cargo, then the state-owned vessels will be the ones filled first. Argentina has recently taken this attitude to its logical conclusion, having built a fleet of liner types far in excess of that needed by the trade. A decree restricts 80 per cent of the national cargo for these ships has been passed, which has effectively banished other traditional liner trades from the area.

To date the developed world and the big shipping nations have failed to recognise the UNCTAD-Liner Code, under which trade between countries would be divided up on a 40:40:20 ratio, between exporter, importer and cross trader. It is the liner sector that is being called upon to give, and in such a climate it is difficult to see any real growth in the developed nation fleets.

With politics always close to such arrangements and government to government bilateral trade deals becoming more common, the long term stability of liner operators is put under threat. Owners of sophisticated ships with a complex shore back-up, liner operators are becoming particularly worried about the situation is made infinitely worse by the fact that the main liner operators are presently coming to the end of the most ambitious investment programme that the shipping world has ever seen.

The application of containerisation to the U.S., Australasia, Far East and South African trades has involved shipping companies in massive investment and good load factors will be needed for many years if this is ever to be paid for. The large cellular container ship is not the most flexible of vessels and if cargo fails on one route it is not always possible, as with the old general cargo ship, to provide alternative employment.

The nightmare of laying up a

\$30 million vessel (such as those on the Far East trades) has not yet occurred, but is not far from the thoughts of every liner company executive these days.

There have already been danger signals over the South African liner trade from Europe, where the initial optimism of the conference owners has not been jus-

tified, with the result that three giant container ships will probably be redeployed.

Fortunately there still remain certain trades to introduce to the container, and it is likely that these big ships will replace other smaller units on existing trades, enabling new areas to be served with the box.

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